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Chapter 11.3. Educational Service Centers

IC 20-1-11.3-1

Establishment and procedures for operation of educational service centers; definition

Sec. 1. The state board of education is authorized to provide for the establishment and procedures for the operation of educational service centers. The term "educational service center", as used in this chapter, means an extended agency of the local public school corporations, operating under rules established by the state board of education, which is the administrative and operational unit that serves a definitive geographical boundary and which allows local public school corporations to voluntarily cooperate and share programs and services which they cannot individually provide, but collectively may implement. Programs and services might include, but are not limited to, curriculum development, pupil personnel and special education services, inservice education, state-federal liaison services, instructional materials and multimedia services, vocational and career education, purchasing and financial management, needs' assessment, computer utilization, and research and development.
As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.20-1984, SEC.38.

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Comprehensive plan for implementation of chapter; adoption

Sec. 2. The state board of education shall adopt a comprehensive plan for the implementation of this chapter. The board shall determine the areas within the state which shall be served by an educational service center. In determining the geographic area to be served by an educational service center, the state board of education shall take into consideration physical factors, socio-economic factors, educational factors, and existing cooperative efforts and agreements.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.

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Establishment of centers under state board of education regulations

Sec. 3. The educational service centers are to be established under the regulations promulgated by the state board of education for the purposes of developing, providing, and making available to participating schools those services as requested by the participating corporations and approved by the board.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.

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Location of centers

Sec. 4. Educational service centers shall be located throughout the state to the extent that each school would have an opportunity to be

served and to participate in an approved center, on a voluntary basis by resolution of the board of school trustees or governing body.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.

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Educational service center board

Sec. 5. Each educational service center shall be governed in its local administration by an educational service center board selected by an assembly comprised of the superintendent or his designee from each participating school corporation.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.

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Membership of board; vacancies; compensation

Sec. 6. The state board of education shall adopt uniform rules and regulations to provide for the local selection, appointment, and continuity of membership for educational service center boards. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the remaining members of the educational service center board. Members of the various educational service center boards shall serve without compensation.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.

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Executive director; personnel

Sec. 7. The educational service center board is authorized to employ an executive director for its respective center and such other personnel as it deems necessary to carry out the functions of the center, and to do and perform all things which it deems proper for its successful operation.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.

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Advisory council; recommendations

Sec. 8. The state board of education shall provide for the selection of an advisory council to each educational service center board. Provisions shall be made for representation of teachers, elementary principals, secondary principals, members of the governing body of a school corporation, and parents of students of the school corporations which are within the geographic area served by the educational service center. The advisory council shall make recommendations to the educational service center board on budgetary and program matters.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.

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Funds for establishment and operation of centers

Sec. 9. Any funds, federal, donated, or from other local sources, shall be used to pay for the costs of establishing or operating an educational service center. The center may also administer programs and funds from any of these sources. All activities funded from

federal sources shall conform to all applicable federal guidelines, rules and regulations.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.

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Federal matching funds

Sec. 10. Nothing in this chapter prohibits an educational service center from receiving and utilizing matching funds from federal sources in any amount for which it may be eligible.

As added by Acts 1976, P.L.94, SEC.1.